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Bud, re Earl Golz, Joe Watkins, Sikes, La., Curt of Pat Giese (La State trooper), Ray leads:

I asked for you or Jim to debrief me yesterday because there was so much I'd not had time to make notes on and because I knew I'd forget as time passed. I've just started to unpack my bag and I have come to a few handwritten notes that can reflect something of importance.

Earl Golz is a former Milwaukee Sentinel reporter. He had as a source within a month of the JFK assassination one Joe Watkins, who was been La. head of the[illegible] and at last word was working for American Motors in Milwaukee. Earl is now on the Dallas Morning News. Ray and I met him through Al Chapman. Earl is to type all the holographic notes from which he read and as we questioned him, which his recollections expanded. Much stacks up. For example, he told us of a case in which Ruby had beat a man to within an inch of his life, with the DPD doing nothing. He was not certain of the name, but thought it Herrera or Ferrara. The incident is in Wade's files as Ferrara and Farrara. Golz is there under his right name and as Cole. So there is some confirmation. And some of the things of which he said he learned within a month after the JFK assassination relate to what is still classified at the Archives, in and around Sikes, La. Mary knows more about this stuff. I did get Earl to agree to write all he has up. I expect a copy, and we ought then go over them. It wasn't possible to take notes on all he said, so I restricted myself to what he said of the King assassination. He'll get the rest.

The real King killer was in Stutgart, ~~xxx~~ Arkansas and Decatur, Ark (small town)~~x~~ 6/1/68. He then went to Greenville, Miss. Watkins spoke to local people, his sources.

He names as this killer one Curt or Pat Giese (right) of the Highway Patrol. His territory is between Columbia and Tallulah, La. (accross from Vicksburg and 40 miles south of Rayville, La., where there have been various meetings. (Mary added this commentary: that the La. State Police engaged in such extra-curricular activities as providing Marcello with a driver for years.)

According to Watkins source in Crowley, La., Ray was at Greenville, Miss., after the King assassination (like much, this seems improbable, and the political stuff esp.).

The Progressive News, Minder, La., accused the police chief of part in the King. ass.

One "Big Red" Willis figures in this and other such activities. His farm near Rayville is "all painted red". He is, allegedly, a bounty hunter.

Triabee, the London barrister, is said to have money on deposit at Chase Manhattan and in Portugal.

Mary is quiteexcited by the Sikes stuff. Boxley happened to be there and he says they were working on that angle and it included the use of an isolated cottage as a command point, complete with a quite considerable length of buried phone line (to avoid aerial observation), which sounds pretty far out. I think one of the names that figures in this story is Pearl Simons. In the south it is not unknown for men to be named "Pearl"

If much of this seems incredible, it achieves a status by being in the materials.

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